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GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE

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The purpose of this program is to compute the space radiation dose caused by electrons being transmitted through a radiation shield.

Required inputs for the program are:

1. Electron flux to dose conversion table
2. Energy spectrum being used
3. Atomic number of shield material
4. Layer thickness for each solid angle for each sector

The program is presently set up to handle only one type of material at a time. Dose may be calculated at any point inside a vehicle.

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ASSUMPTIONS

In the cases of three-dimensional shields (such as space vehicles), the shield is assumed to be approximately spherical.

LIMITATIONS

The mathematical formula for transmission of electrons is derived from the electron Monte Carlo data (Ref. 1).

The analysis is for one material only, and a shield of more than one kind of material must be treated as though every layer consists of the same material.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this program be expanded to analyze radiation shields composed of more than one type of material.

PROCEDURE

NOMENCLATURE

The nomenclature is presented in Table 1.

METHOD

From an empirical study, it is found that electrons from radiation belts encircling the earth will produce a radiation dose (D_i) equal to:

$$D_i = \Omega \int_{E_0}^E \left[T(E) \phi(E) \frac{dE}{dx}(E) \right] dE$$

where the following is true:

1. $T(E)$ is the transmission of one electron through a shield of thickness X and atomic number Z . It is found empirically to fit the curve

$$T(E) = \exp \left\{ - \left\{ \left[\frac{0.585Z^{-0.271}}{X} \right]^{0.848} (E) - 7(Z-3.25)^{-0.24} \right\} \right\}$$

This value of $T(E)$ is computed in subroutine FUNCT(E, N) with E = electron energy in Mev.

2. $\phi(E)$ is the energy spectrum from a particular radiation belt. Values for $\phi(E)$ for each of three spectra are calculated in subroutine ELSI (EE, N) where EE is the electron energy and N is 1, 2, or 3 depending on the spectrum being considered.

3. $\frac{dE}{dx}(E)$ is the ionization loss for an electron of energy E (Mev) of

TABLE 1. Nomenclature

| MATH SYMBOL | PROGRAM SYMBOL | DEFINITION | UNITS |
|-------------|----------------|--|---------------------------|
| | ET | Entry (Energy) in table | Mev |
| | DIVX | Entry ($\frac{dE}{dx}$) in table | Mev-cm ² /gm |
| | D | Dose through one thickness of a given material | Mev/cc |
| D | DOSE | Summation of all D's | rads |
| X_i | X(I) | A particular thickness | gm/cm ² |
| Ω_i | O(I) | A particular solid angle | steradians/4 π |
| Z | Z | Atomic weight of particular material | Pure No. |
| | NP | Number of problems or number of different types of shield materials | Pure No. |
| | NA | Number of entires in ET-DIVX table | Pure No. |
| E_o | XL | Lower limit of integration | Mev |
| E | XU | Upper limit of integration | Mev |
| | RO | Dummy density (=1) | gm/cc |
| | NE | Energy spectrum being used (NE = 1 for Carter Artificial NE = 2 for Mar Artificial NE = 3 for Van Allen Belt) | Pure No. |
| | NX | Number of sectors of shielding | Pure No. |
| | SOURCE | Number of incident electrons | Electrons/cm ² |
| | FACT | Fraction of incident electrons entering shield | Pure No. |
| $\phi(E)$ | | Symbol for a particular energy spectrum | Mev ⁻¹ |

the material for which the dose is calculated. Values for $\frac{dE}{dx}(E)$ are taken from Ref. 2. This is done by subroutine DEDX, using linear interpolation.

For each thickness X , the product of $T(E)$, $\phi(E)$, and $\frac{dE}{dx}(E)$ is integrated over the range of possible values of E to obtain the dose. If the dose is desired through a particular solid angle of shield, say Ω , then the integral is multiplied by Ω .

The total dose through the shield is, then, taken to be the sum of the individual doses through particular thicknesses and at various solid angles.

RESULTS

Because of the complexity of the integration involved, only one hand calculation was made. The same case was run on the machine, and the two results were found to differ by 6%.

Also, the values for $\frac{dE}{dx}(E)$ were taken from an U. S. Bureau of Standards publication (Ref. 2). The expressions for $\phi(E)$ were the natural and artificial trapped electron spectra (Refs. 3 and 4).

It was, therefore, decided that the values this program was generating for $T(E)$ would establish the validity of the program. These values were consequently compared with values for the transmission computed in a previously written program (Ref. 1), and were found to be in agreement with them.

INPUT PREPARATION AND OUTPUT DESCRIPTION

INPUT DATA

Input data for this program may be divided into five (5) groups as follows:

Group I. This group consists of two cards. The first card contains two integers, NP and NA, in a 2I 5 format. NP is the number of problems to be run, and NA is the number of entries in the $ET - \frac{dE}{dx}$ table for tissue. The second card contains three floating point variables, XL, XU, RO, in that order, and with a format of 3 F 10.0. XL and XU are the lower and upper limits of integration, and RO is the density (=1 for rads). In the case of the artificial electron belt, the upper limit XU is about 10 Mev. Since electrons having energy lower than 0.1 Mev are not very penetrating, $XL = .1$.

Group II. The second group of cards contains the entries for the $ET - \frac{dE}{dx}$ table for tissue. Each contains eight (8) floating point numbers in an 8 F 10.0 format. The first number on a card is ET, the second is the corresponding $\frac{dE}{dx}$, the third ET, etc. There will be approximately $\frac{NA}{4}$ such cards.

Group III. This card contains HOLLERITH information to be printed out at the end of the run.

Group IV. This group consists of the following cards:
NX which is right adjusted in columns 1-6, NE, which is right adjusted in columns 13-18, SOURCE in columns 37-48 with an E12.0 format, FACT in columns 49-54 with a F6.0 format, and Z in columns 55-60 with a F6.0 format.

NX is equal to the numbers of sectors in a vehicle.

NE is the index for the energy spectrum.

SOURCE is the incident electron flux in particles per square centimeter.

FACT is the fraction of the incident flux entering the shielding.

Z is the atomic number to be used for all shield layers.

Group V. The first card contains N according to an I6 format in columns 1-6, and O according to an E12.0 format in columns 7-18. N is equal to the number of material layers in the sector, and O is the weight associated with the sector.

There follow N cards which each contain a value of XT according to an E12.0 format in columns 7-18. The set of XT's are the thicknesses of each of the material layers in a sector.

These card formats were used in order that the same data cards might be used for all the space radiation shielding programs.

The input data may also be divided into two general groups: those variables which normally will not be changed, and those variables which must be changed to obtain different runs.

The first of these groups consists of the variables NA, XL, XU, RO, $ET - \frac{dE}{dx}$ table, SOURCE, and FACT.

Those variables which may change from one run to another are: NP, NE, NX, Z, X-values, and Ω -values.

OUTPUT DATA

The output data appear on a listing with appropriate headings and titles and is self-explanatory.

PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

This program is designed to correspond to the IBM 7090/94 FORTRAN monitor system. Input data are read from logical tape 5 by the FORTRAN READ INPUT TAPE statement. Output to be printed is written on logical tape 6 using the FORTRAN WRITE OUTPUT TAPE statement. No special tapes are required. There are no console switch settings required. Termination of the run is caused by a call to EXIT (returns control to the monitor) when the specified number of cases has been processed.

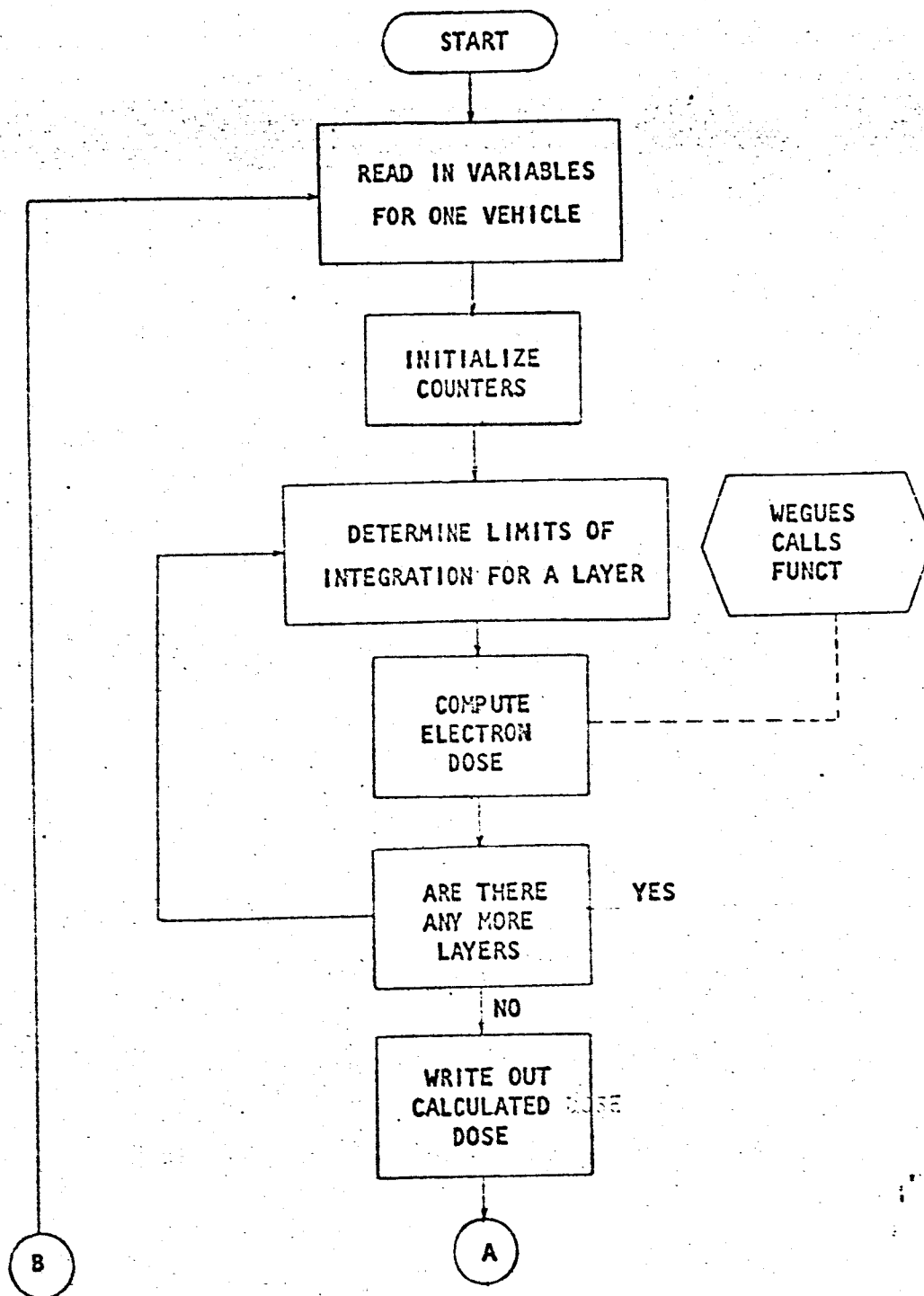
The program, excluding routines provided from the standard library, requires approximately 2,400 storage cells. Of this amount, 2,000 locations are required for storage of machine instructions and non-COMMON data, and 400 cells for COMMON data storage.

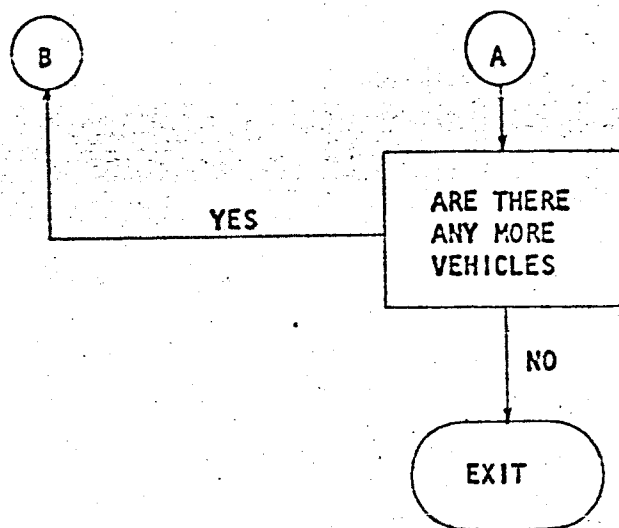
Routines taken from the library are:

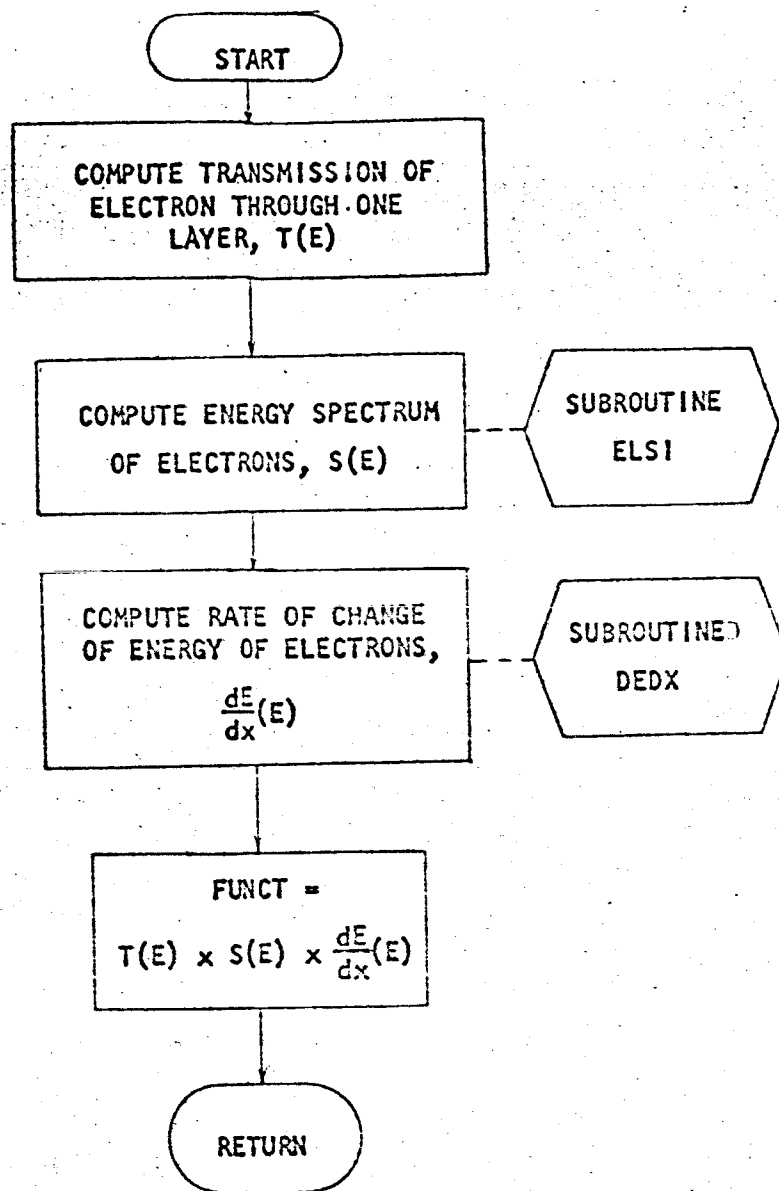
| | |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| EXP | exp(X) |
| EXP(3) | Called by X**Y |
| EXIT | Returns control to monitor system |

In addition, those routines required by the FORTRAN system for input and output are used.

FLOW CHARTS







Flow Chart of Subroutine FUNCT

PROGRAM LISTING

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DIMENSION ET(200),DIVX(200),D(350),X(350),O(350),PROB(12)
DIMENSION XT(12)
COMMON ET,DIVX,X1,Z,NA
5 READ INPUT TAPE 5,10,NP,NA,XL,XU,RO
10 FORMAT(2I5/3F10.0)
18 READ INPUT TAPE 5,11,1ET(1),DIVX(1),I=1,NA)
11 FORMAT(6F10.0)
DO 40 J=1,NP
9 READ INPUT TAPE 5,14,PROB
14 FORMAT(12A6)
12 READ INPUT TAPE 5,12,NX,NE,SOURCE,FACT,Z
12 FORMAT(16,6X,16,18X,E12.0,2F6.0)
152 FORMAT(16,E12.0)
153 FORMAT(6X,E12.0)
ERR=0.01
DOSE=C.C
DO 30 I=1,NX
151 READ INPUT TAPE 5,152,N,O(1)
151 X(I)=X(1)+XT(J)
X(I)=0.0
DO 151 J=1,N
151 X(I)=X(1)+XT(J)
X1=X(I)
A=-7.*(12-3.25)*(-.24)
A=-585.*2*(-0.271)
E1=10.*(1./B)*(X1/A)*.848
EL=MAX1(E1,XL)
IF EL-XU)21,21,20
20 D(1)=0.
GO TO 30
21 CALL NEGUES(EL,XU,NE,D(1),ERR)
CONVERTING MEV/CC TO RADS
D(1)=D(1)*1.6E-8/RO*SOURCE*FACT
30 DOSE=DOSE+D(1)*O(1)
SUM1=C.
DO 3942 JK=1,NX
3942 SUM1=SUM1+O(JK)
TERM=DOSE/SUM1
DOSE=TERM
WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 6,31,J
31 FORMAT(1M1,51X,14HPROBLEM NUMBER13)
WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 6,32,PROB
32 FORMAT(12A6)
WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 6,33,SOURCE,FACT,NE,Z
33 FORMAT(16H ELECTRON FLUX =F10.3,12H/CM**2/SEC, 43H FRACTION OF INC
IDENT FLUX ENTERING SHIELD =F10.3/18H SPECTRUM NUMBER =13.2H, 34H
210HIC NUMBER OF SHIELD MATERIAL =F10.3)
WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 6,34,(D(1),X(1),O(1),I=1,NX)
34 FORMAT(7/26X,4HDOSE25X,9H THICKNESS,21X,11H SOLID ANGLE/26X10H(RADS/
15EC119X10H(GM/CM**21/1E28,5,2F12.5))
WRITE OUTPUT TAPE 6,36,DOSE
36 FORMAT(1H0,12HTOTAL DOSE =E15.7,12H RADS PER SEC)
40 CONTINUE

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MAIN PROGRAM

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CO TO 9

END(1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0)

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FUNCTION FUNCT(E,N)
  FUNCTION FUNCT(E,N)
  DIMENSION ET(200),DIVX(200)
  COMMON ET,DIVX,X1,Z
  P1=-7.01(2-3.25)*(-0.24)
  B1 = (.585*(2*(-0.271)))/X1
  P2 = B1*0.848
  B2 = (P2*F)*P1
  TE = EXP(-B2)
  SF=ELST(E,N)
  DE=DEDX(E)
  FUNCT=TE*SE*DE
  RETURN
END(1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0)
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FUNCTION DEDX(E)

FUNCTION DEDX(E)
DIMENSION ET(200),DIVX(200)
COMMON ET,DIVX,X1,Z,NA

J=2

1 IF(E-ET(J))5,6,7

5 DEDX = DIVX(J)-((ET(J)-E)/(ET(J)-ET(J-1))+(DIVX(J)-DIVX(J-1)))

RETURN

6 DEDX=DIVX(J)

7 J=J+1

8 IF(J-NA)1,1,10

10 J=NA

GO TO 5

END1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0

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FUNCTION ELSI(EE,N)
  FUNCTION ELSI(EE,N)
  IF(N)1,1,10
  10 GO TO(1,2,3,4,5),N
  CARTER ARTIFICIAL
  1 ELSI=7.0995E-1*EXP(-0.575*EE-0.055*EE**2)
  RETURN
  ARTIFICIAL(N=2)MAR
  2 IF(EE-2.0)21,21,22
  21 ELSI=7.1E-1*EXP(-1.4*EE)/.2599127E09
  RETURN
  22 ELSI=1.5E+0*EXP(-0.96*EE)/.2599127E09
  RETURN
  VAN ALLEN(N=3)
  3 ELSI=(1.7E+0*EXP(-5.75*EE)+8.0E-3*EXP(-1.8*EE))/3000961
  RETURN
  4 ELSI=4.080*EXP(-EE/0.58)
  RETURN
  5 CONTINUE
  RETURN
  END(1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0)

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SUBROUTINE WEGUES(A,B,N,ANSER,RELERR)

SUBROUTINE WEGUES(A,B,N,ANSER,RELERR)
INTEGRATION ROUTINE FOR A FUNCTION

COMPUTE INTERVAL H, WITH INITIAL GUESS R, UPPER LIMIT B, AND
LOWER LIMIT A

L=1
R=2.
H=(B-A)/R

AREA=FUNCT(B,N)
PSUM=AREA/2.
SAREA=FUNCT(A,N)
PSUM=PSUM+SAREA/2.

NN=R
MM=NN-1

W=A
DO 2 I=1,MM

W=H+H
PAREA=FUNCT(W,N)
PSUM=PSUM+PAREA
TSUM=PSUM*H
IF(L-1)1500,3,4

1500 CALL EXIT
1 H=(B-A)/R

W=A+H

DO 8 I=1,MM
PAREA=FUNCT(W,N)
W=W+(2.*H)

8 PSUM=PSUM+PAREA
TSUM=PSUM*H
IF(L-1)1500,3,4

3 FINT1=TSUM
MP=MM+1

L=L+1
R=R*2.

GO TO 1
4 FINT2=TSUM

MP=MM+MP
IF(ABS(F(FINT1-FINT2)/FINT1)-RELERR)5,5,6

6 R=R*2.
FINT1=FINT2

GO TO 1
5 ANSER = FINT2

RETURN
END(1,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0)

SAMPLE INPUT DATA

| * DATA | 1 | 43 | 10.0 | 1.0 | 14.3 | 0.03 | 10.4 | 0.04 | 8.38 |
|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 0.1 | 0.01 | 24.6 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 6.23 | 0.07 | 5.59 | 0.08 | 5.11 |
| 0.05 | 0.05 | 7.11 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 4.41 | 0.15 | 3.46 | 0.20 | 2.98 |
| 0.09 | 0.09 | 4.72 | 0.10 | 0.30 | 2.51 | 0.35 | 2.38 | 0.40 | 2.28 |
| 0.25 | 0.25 | 2.70 | 0.30 | 0.50 | 2.15 | 0.55 | 2.10 | 0.60 | 2.07 |
| 0.45 | 0.45 | 2.21 | 0.50 | 0.70 | 2.01 | 0.75 | 1.99 | 0.80 | 1.98 |
| 0.65 | 0.65 | 2.04 | 0.70 | 0.90 | 1.95 | 0.95 | 1.94 | 1.0 | 1.94 |
| 0.85 | 0.85 | 1.96 | 0.90 | 1.40 | 1.91 | 1.60 | 1.91 | 1.80 | 1.91 |
| 1.20 | 1.20 | 1.92 | 1.40 | 2.2 | 1.91 | 2.4 | 1.92 | 2.6 | 1.92 |
| 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.91 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 1.93 | 4.0 | 1.96 | 5.0 | 1.98 |
| 2.8 | 2.8 | 1.93 | 3.0 | 8.0 | 2.03 | 10.0 | 2.06 | | |
| 6.0 | 6.0 | 2.00 | 8.0 | | | | | | |

NASA SAMPLE PROBLEM

| | 2 | -1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.0 | .5 | 13.0 | APLLO | GUT4 |
|---|---|-----|-----|---|---|---|-----|----|------|-------|------|
| 2 | 2 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 1 | 5.0 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 2 | 1.0 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 2 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 1 | 2.0 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 2 | 2.0 | 0.5 | | | | | | | | |

SAMPLE PROBLEM

PROBLEM NUMBER 1

NASA SAMPLE PROBLEM

ELECTRON FLUX = 1.000/CM**2/SEC, FRACTION OF INCIDENT FLUX ENTERING SHIELD = 0.500
SPECTRUM NUMBER = 1, ATOMIC NUMBER OF SHIELD MATERIAL = 13.000

| DOSE (RADS/SEC) | THICKNESS (GM/CM**2) | SOLID ANGLE |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 0.16640E-13 | 6.00000 | 0.50000 |
| 0.17226E-11 | 4.00000 | 0.50000 |

TOTAL DOSE = 0.0696123E-12 RADS PER SEC

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